Pawnee Nation War Mothers


Bottom Row: Dollie Moore, Harriet Howell, Jennie Lincoln and Mamie Morgan.
MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Tribal Members:

This brief message is to update you on the U.S. economic situation and its “trickle-down” affect on the Pawnee Nation.

As the United States recession lingers on and recovery slowly inches upward, the Pawnee Nation continues planning and building to stabilize our growth and development.

The Pawnee Nation maintains its timely payments to creditors, works to ensure our credibility; works to ensure our stability and reliability.

Economic forecasters are continuously optimistic that the U.S. economy will rebound. There are many factors that affect economic recovery which includes the states of the international markets. All play a part in our economy.

The National financial status and activities, positive and negative, eventually effect the Pawnee Nation. The federal financial situations with the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Indian Health Service are of much concern to the Pawnee Nation. There is direct input to these two budgets. Council person Elizabeth Blackowl serves on the BIA National Budget Advisory Committee and I serve on the National Indian Health Services Budget Formulation Committee. This gives the Pawnee Nation direct input on the two National budgets that largely affect us.

The Pawnee Business Council is quite aware of the country’s economics and how it filters down to us. Many of our decisions are patterned to these situations.

We will continue to do our best to meet the Pawnee Nation’s needs with the resources we have available to us.

Our prayers and thoughts to the families in mourning.

President George E. Howell

PAWNEE NATION WAR MOTHERS

By Barbara Attocknie

The Pawnee War Mother has been in existence for over 70 years. This organization was designed to help out our soldiers when they went off to war. The group consists of women who have a son or daughter that has served or is currently enlisted in the service of any branch. We have handgames when a soldier comes home on leave, and we take provided gifts to the Veteran’s Hospital for the Veterans who are in the hospital and can’t get out to shop for Mother’s Day.

We stand behind the Pawnee Veterans organization when we are called upon the help with their events. For the past two years, the Pawnee War Mothers were asked to be cooks for the Pawnee Veterans organization, which has been an honor.

We spend many hours preparing and serving when called upon. Right now, our group is very small, and we are seeking new members. Current members are Barbara Attocknie, President; Geraldine Howell, Secretary; Elizabeth Arkeketa and Katherine Keeling, members. We need you, so if you are interested, please contact Barbara at 918-762-3117.
Education

Free GED Classes- Roam Chief Building. Classes are every Tuesday and Thursday from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Contact Chris Hill, Youth Services Coordinator at 918-762-2541, ext. 34.

June 7-11 from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.- Circle of Learning Adventure Camp "Hooray for the Red, White and Bluest!" For Native American Students Beginning 2nd Grade to beginning 5th Grade in the Fall. For more information, contact Chris Hill at 918-762-3227. Deadline for registration is June 4 at 5 p.m.

TGRI gaming class on June 14 and 15 at the Albin Leanding Fox Hall, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. each day. Cost is 200.00 dollars. Contact Staci Glyckherr at 918-762-3343 ext. 12

Pawnee Nation Youth Services Summer Work Program will start on July 6th for any Native American Youth from the ages 14 thru 21. We will only have 22 slots available. If any one is interested come by the Berry Building 657 Harrison Street to apply or call 918-762-3227 ask for Chris Hill or David Echo Hawk.

Health

July 1- Pawnee Nation Health Fair & Walk. 9 a.m.-Walk and 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. -Health Fair. For more information regarding the Walk, contact Barbara Attocknie @ 762-2153. For information regarding the Health Fair, contact Donna Howell @ 763-3873, ext 1.

General

Every Wednesday at 12 p.m., Elder’s Bingo at the Title VI Dining Room.

June 8 - AARP Driver Safety Course from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

June 10 – I.H.S dental screening/teeth cleaning at Multi-Purpose building.

June 11 – Elders Shopping Trip to Tulsa Hills, Tulsa, OK from 11:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

June 24- Thursday, Carol Taylor, Nutrition Education Assistant at Oklahoma State University Extension office will be here for a Nutrition class at 12:30 p.m. in the Title VI dining room.

May-June 2010 - “Remembering the Past; Voices from Pawnee Elders.” Hear Pawnee elders speak of the “old days,” not only what they remember but stories from their elders. These elders are the last Pawnees to grow up speaking their own language. Pawnee Indian Museum 480 Pawnee Trail Republic, KS 66964. For more information, contact Richard Gould at 785-361-2255.

July 3- Veterans Parade, downtown Pawnee at 12 p.m.

THE STORY OF THE PAWNEE INDIAN HOMECOMING

The Homecoming is a legacy, which began with an ancient warriors society “E-ru-ska-Pagoo-ta.” This society honored its braves, who served in the U.S. Army, the Pawnee Scouts – during the Indian Wars of the 1860-1870’s, and in every conflict since the Pawnees have faithfully answered the call of their country.

Then, at the end of World War II, the Pawnee Indians, wishing to honor their returning servicemen, and especially those who had fallen in battle, held the first Pawnee Indian Homecoming in July of 1946.

Over the years this annual memorial has been perpetuated and has attracted the interest of the nation, bringing many thousands of visitors from all over the United States and a number of foreign countries, but it has never forgotten the spirit of humble dedication in which it was founded, the keeping alive the bright torch of sacrifice which has called so many of the Pawnee young men to the service of their country in time of need and danger.

From the 1959 Homecoming Program
WASHINGTON --- An unprecedented gathering of leaders from multiple Native American nations participated in A Time of Rededication and Story-Telling event, presented by The Faith and Politics Institute, on Wednesday, May 19, at 8:30 a.m., at the Congressional Cemetery in Washington, D.C.

The Congressional Cemetery became the official burial grounds in 1807 for congressman and tradesmen, diplomats and domestics, explorers and architects, and soldiers and musicians. Thirty-six Native Americans are among the more than 55,000 individuals and 30,000 burial sites in the cemetery and represent peoples from Apache, Cherokee, Chippewa, Choctaw, Muscogee Creek, Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate, Kiowa, Lakota, Nez Perce, Pawnee, Sac and Fox, and Winnebago tribes and nations. Many Native Americans interred at the cemetery were representing their people in treaty negotiations and government affairs and were far from their native lands when they passed away.

“Native Americans were heavily involved in Washington and international politics more than 200 years ago, which led to their interment away from their homes,” said Chad Smith, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation. “Several Native American nations also had treaties with foreign governments prior to the creation of the United States and still operate as sovereign governments today.”

A Time of Rededication and Story-Telling event featured interpretive guides’ historical accounts of Native American leaders and dignitaries interred at the Congressional Cemetery including Cherokee citizens Captain John Rogers, Jr., William Shorey Coodey, Judge Richard Fields and great friend of the Cherokee Nation William Wirt; Choctaw citizens Pushmataha and Peter Pitchlynn; Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate leader Kan Ya Tu Duta (Red Crow); Pawnee leader Tuck Arusa Lix Ta, represented by Pawnee Business Council Member, Marshall Gover; and Muscogee Creek Second Chief Berryhill, who will reflect on the role of all their delegates.

In preparation for the event, there was A Time of Service gathering at the Congressional Cemetery on Tuesday, May 18, at 9 a.m., which provided an opportunity for the general public to clean, weed and help restore some of the Native American graves in the cemetery. Professionals offering direction in the proper care and tending to the neglected burial sites lead the efforts and supplied the tools. A short period of storytelling immediately followed the caretaking.

Prior to A Time of Rededication and Story-Telling event there was an official presentation and reading of The Resolution of Apology to Native Peoples by Sen. Sam Brownback (R-KS) and Rep. Jim McDermott (D-WA), co-hosts of the day’s events and co-authors of the resolution, which took place in the Congressional Cemetery chapel.

The Resolution of Apology to Native Peoples cites seven key acknowledgment and apology points including one that apologizes on behalf of the people of the United States to all Native Peoples for the many instances of violence, maltreatment and neglect inflicted on Native Peoples by citizens of the United States.

President Obama signed the bill on December 19, 2009, in part to acknowledge a long history of official depredations and ill-conceived policies by the federal government regarding Indian tribes and offer an apology to all Native Peoples on behalf of the United States.

A Time of Rededication and Story-Telling, A Time of Service gathering and the Resolution of Apology to Native Peoples presentation was sponsored by The Faith and Politics Institute and National Congress of American Indians along with representatives of the Cherokee, Choctaw, Muscogee Creek, Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate and Pawnee Nations.

The event was free and opened to the public.
CPL JOSHUA STEIN HONORED FOR HIS AMERICAN COURAGE

On February 9, 2007 at Ft. Hood, Texas, U.S. Army CPL. Joshua P. Stein received a "Purple Heart", the "Bronze Star", and the "Combat Action Badge" for his service in Iraq. Stein was born in Lawton, Okla. on September 25, 1983 to Sandra Kaulaity and Jesse Stein. He attended schools in San Diego, Calif., Perkins, Okla. and graduated in Saipan, Miss in 2004. He is Pawnee and of other tribal descent.

On Easter morning in 2006, not knowing that this day would be the day that would change his life forever; Stein was injured in Taji, Iraq. He was the driver of a Bradley Fighting Vehicle hit by an IED (Improvised Explosive Device) while on patrol.

Stein received many horrible injuries. He lost both legs, broke both arms, and sustained burns to his face and neck. After going through surgery in Germany, he was quickly flown to Brooke Army Medical Center in San Antonio, Texas, where he spent four weeks in an Intensive Care Unit.

Stein went through surgeries everyday on his limbs, skin grafts and burns. His family never lost faith, and believed in Josh throughout his year long recovery.

“What happened to me has not changed my outlook on life, but the journey afterwards has. My father once said, it is not what happens to you that determines who you are, but it’s what you do afterwards. You can stand up and march on, or sit and wait for someone to get you. I chose to take action,” said Stein. “I’ve learned that what has happened to me is a blessing in disguise, and that God doesn’t put me in any situation that I can’t handle,” said Stein.

The Pawnee people are known for their fierceness and bravery in battle, and Stein believes his Pawnee heritage as well as his Chamorro heritage has helped him in battle.

“I have always been strong and determined. I have worked through any hardship that has come my way and never have I given up. I’ve been shot and continued to push and get my job done with little notice on to what happened. I was never afraid to go out and complete any mission that was assigned to me, knowing that every time could have been my last. Being a Pawnee warrior is knowing the risks, yes continuing the mission,” said Stein.

Stein has been called the "Miracle Patient" by his physical therapists, orthopedic doctors, and other medical staff by his fast recovery. With his miraculous recovery, he has been interviewed by Newsweek Magazine, Associated Press, MSNBC News (during the opening of the new Center for the Intrepid in San Antonio, Texas) and other media for his amazing story. He was selected to travel to Alabama in September 2006 to participate in a retreat for disabled soldiers called "Operation Adventure" where he learned how to water ski on one ski.

Steins plans to be a Paralympics kayaker, which he is currently training. One day he wants to make it to the Paralympics and win the gold for team USA and start his own non profit organization that helps other people with disabilities.

“Continue to show the younger generation our traditions and educate them about Pawnee history, our elders and our ways. A wise man said ‘For those who defend it, freedom has a flavor that the protected will never know.’ I live by those words and I believe that the younger generation should know where they’ve been to know where they’re going,” said Stein.

Stein was selected for the Homes for Our Troops Program. This program will build a new home and give it to CPL Stein and his family. The construction has not started yet, but the land has been purchased. Next, a volunteer organization station will be formed and people will be allowed the opportunity to volunteer their time and services toward construction of the home. After that comes the “Build Brigade, when the volunteers will pour the foundation and construct all exterior parts of the house. The completion of the house depends on volunteers and donations.

“Thank You, Joshua Stein, for the courage and bravery you showed for our country. Your service to our country has not gone unnoticed,” said President George E. Howell.

If you would like to help the Stein family, you may donate supplies, labor, and/or make a monetary donation.

Donations can be made by calling toll-free at 866-7-TROOPS, online at www.homesforourtroops.org, or at any Security Service Federal Credit Union in the greater San Antonio area. Please tell the bank associate you want to make a deposit into the account titled "Homes for Our Troops".

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HEALTH & COMMUNITY SERVICE CENTER DEDICATION CEREMONY

Friday, April 9, 2010, 55 people gathered for the Dedication Ceremony of the Pawnee Nation Health and Community Services Center. Most people know this center as the “old hospital.”

The Dedication was to thank all the people who made this project a success. President Howell acknowledged “Muriel Robedeaux, the project manager, whose insight and leadership made this project a very successful accomplishment.” He also congratulated all entities who played a part in this project, and made this project a job well done.

The ceremony opened with a prayer by Marshall Gover, followed by a welcome from Elizabeth Blackowl, the Pawnee Business Council Vice-President Buddy Lone Chief giving the history of the building at the Dedication Ceremony.

After all the speeches, Lone Chief cut the ribbon, saying he was very proud of this moment and then inviting attendees to follow him on a tour around the newly reopened Health and Community Services Center.

The second floor is occupied by the Tribal Development Corporation.

President Howell and the Pawnee Business Council wish to give their gratitude and their deep appreciation to the funding agencies and the project team members who made this project possible.

PAWNEE NATION GRANT FUNDING AND UPDATES

By Ted Moore, Planning Director

The Planning Office recently submitted grants for funding consideration of services to our community, they are the (1) Native American Language Preservation and Maintenance Grant submitted on April 8, 2010 to the Administration for Native Americans (ANA) Program of the Department of Health and Human Services; the (2) Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation (NAGPRA) Grant submitted on March 3, 2010 to the National Park Service; and the (3) Library Enhancement Grant submitted on April 30, 2010, to the Institute of Museum and Library Services. These programs, if awarded, will be located at the new Cultural Learning Center at the Berry Building in downtown Pawnee. The ANA Language Preservation and Maintenance Grant is proposed for three years. The NAGPRA Grant is proposed for 18 months and the Library Enhancement Grant is proposed for two years. We should know about the potential award on the Language Preservation and Maintenance and the NAGPRA grants by the early part of August, 2010, and the Library Enhancement Grant mid-way through September of 2010.

On May 12, the Office of Minority Health Resource Center (OMHRC) awarded an HIV/AIDS/STD Capacity Building grant to the Pawnee Nation as one of five grants awarded nationally. The program will provide prevention activities, increase awareness, sustain efforts and services, reduce stigma, and illuminate tribal support regarding these health diseases. Recently, the Tribal Historical Preservation Officer Program (THPO) proposal was submitted and good news to report is that the National Park Service, the funding agency, has offered an agreement to the Pawnee Nation for the assumption of State Historical Preservation Officer (SHPO) duties. Only a handful of tribes in Oklahoma have this agreement with SHPO. Funding availability for THPO is unknown at this time, but we will provide an update in the next issue. Also, on May 17, 2010, the Southern Plains Office of Native American Programs approved a partial Indian Community Development Block Grant for the expansion of the Early Childhood Development Center.

The Planning Office submits grant proposal applications with support from various tribal representatives, community organizations, Pawnee Nation College, various agencies, and Pawnee Nation program staff in charge of the provision of services if the grant is funded. The Planning office is very appreciative of this support and hopeful these grants described above will be awarded, resulting in the creation of new services, education, and tribal cultural activities for our community.
ARIKARA AND PAWNEE BUILD EARTH LODGE IN NEBRASKA

By Mike Konz Kearney Hub Managing Editor

KEARNEY — Their clans separated nearly 500 years ago, but only a few minutes passed before Pawnee from Oklahoma and Arikara from North Dakota bent to a task they’d been anticipating for months.

Sunday evening after exchanging greetings, members of both tribes rolled and sorted 500- to 700-pound cottonwood timbers in a 5-foot-tall pile. It was the first step in building a traditional earth lodge near the Great Platte River Road Archway and the first time in several generations that Pawnee helped to raise a lodge.

Pawnee ancestors lived in such structures when they inhabited stretches of the Platte and Loup rivers in south-central Nebraska, but the knowledge to build them is dying, so the Oklahoma tribe will learn the skills as it helps with the lodge near the archway.

“Be careful. This is dangerous work,” warned Jasper “Jazz” Young Bear, one of the Arikara leaders, as work began. It’s anticipated construction will take about two weeks.

Kearney-area businesses and individuals have donated most of the materials for the lodge.

Pushing hard against the timbers were about 20 Arikara and about 10 young Pawnee.

Some of the Pawnee wore red football shirts. Pawnee (Okla.) High School is a gridiron powerhouse, but the Arikara cheered on a boys team from their Fort Berthold Reservation in this year’s North Dakota state basketball championships.

Sunday, as a stiff breeze blew from the south, the song of a chain saw carried across the archway grounds as some of the timbers were selected and rough-cut to become the main uprights at the center of the lodge. Other posts will stand in an outer ring to support beams and rafters.

Timbers, split cedar logs, willow limbs and sod will make up the 60-foot diameter lodge.

“The Pawnees haven’t built a mud lodge in years,” said Zach Rice, who recently earned a criminal justice degree at the community college in Pawnee.

Pawnee will be watching closely as Arikara cut the joints that link the heavy timbers. No nails are used in traditional lodge construction.

The sorting proceeded rapidly as Wind Spirit said building the lodge with the Pawnee is a special honor. “We’ve been excited ever since we were asked to build it.”

Among the Pawnee in Kearney is the son of Deb Echo-Hawk, who has been working with Ronnie O’Brien of the archway to resurrect native strains of Pawnee corn.

“We’ll learn how to build a lodge and then take it back to Oklahoma,” said TeeTooch Frazier, Echo-Hawk’s son.

It is anticipated the lodge will be complete in about two weeks. The structure will be a focal point for the two tribes at the archway’s June 18-19 powwow exhibition.

The event will reunite the Arikara and Pawnee. Until the Arikara left for North Dakota almost 500 years ago, they were a part of the Skidi band of the Pawnee Tribe.

So far, building the lodge seems more like fun than work, said members of both tribes.

“I’m out here with my friends,” said Rice, a Pawnee.

“When you love what you do, you don’t work a day in your life,” said Cory Spotted Bear, an Arikara.

The lodge will be a focal point when the Pawnee and Arikara tribes reunite during the June 18-19 powwow exhibition at the archway. Afterward, the lodge will be used for education.
MARCH 10, 2010 – PBC MEETING

The February 25, 2010 PBC Meeting minutes were approved. Council members and the Executive Director provided reports on their activities since the previous PBC meeting.

Under Old Business:
1. A Committee had been formed and provided the “Scope of Work” for the new Attorney General/Prosecutor Contract. The position will be advertised.

Under New Business:
1. Resolution #10-11 – Appointment to the Gaming Commission. The Gaming Commission has only three seats of the five filled at this time and requested a member be added. The resolution was tabled in order to advertise for a position.
2. A request was received from the TDC Board to raise their stipends from $75 to $100 per meeting. The request was denied at this time.
3. Resolution #10-12 – Request from TDC to create Economic Sub-divisions to more effectively manage benefits. TABLED.
4. The Liquor Control Board requested the PBC establish Sales Tax rates for Beer/Wine/Liquor Sales within the Pawnee Nation jurisdiction. 5% (five percent) was approved by a vote of 4 for and 3 no.
5. The agenda was amended to add two new items. The first was to approve a contract/bid for phone systems for the Old Hospital. A motion was made to approve the bid from Rim Rock in the amount of $16,800. Approved by a vote of 7 for.
6. Resolution #10-13 – A resolution to submit a grant for the Sex Offender Registry was approved by a vote of 7 for.

Under Open Forum:
Tom Morgan talked about the American Indian Exposition. They would like a donation from the tribe to bring the Vietnam “Moving Wall” to this year’s exposition.

William Howell appeared and asked questions regarding an upcoming Nasharo meeting he received an invitation for.

Council members discussed the upcoming NIGA Conference in San Diego, the Self-Governance Conference in Oklahoma City, scheduling a PBC Planning Session and an HHS Consultation Session in Mayetta, KS.

MARCH 24, 2010 PBC MEETING:

The minutes of the March 10, 2010 PBC meeting were approved. Council members and the Executive Director provided reports on their activities since the previous PBC meeting.

Under Old Business:
1. The TERO Commission asked for some revisions to their Ordinance. This was to allow for a scale to be utilized for TERO fees. Approved by a vote of 6 for and 1 no.
2. Resolution #10-12 – To create Economic Sub-divisions as TDC, which was tabled from the last meeting was again tabled.

Under New Business:
1. The new Office of Violence Against Women requested approval for an expenditure that was written into the grant to support the Domestic Violence Shelter in Stillwater. A payment schedule for $60,000 to be paid over a three year period was approved by a vote of 7 for.
2. Resolution #10-14 for the Submission of the ANA-Language grant was approved by a vote of 7 for.
3. Resolution #10-15 and #10-16 were for appointments to the Supreme Court. These resolutions were tabled to allow for advertisement as called for in the Law and Order Code. Both Walter EchoHawk and Bob Buchanan would like to remain as justices on the Supreme Court.
4. A request to renew the Public Defender Contract for Danny Lyons was also tabled to research the proper procedure.
5. Discuss Labor Union issues that have come up in Indian Country. Mr. Parris provided an overview and was asked to bring examples of what other tribes have passed regarding this issue.
6. BJA Report from Jerry Skidgel. Mr. Skidgel discussed the trespass fines on agriculture lease at Chilocco. The BJA is following the CFR regarding this. He also addressed a problem land owners are having with wild hog populations. A committee was formed to research possible solutions.
7. Jeff Jones and David McClain, who will both be candidates for public office were introduced by Helen Norрис. Both provided background information and asked for support in their endeavors.

APRIL 14, 2010 PBC MEETING

The minutes of the March 24, 2010 PBC meeting were approved.

All Council members and the Executive Director provided a report on their activities since the previous meeting.

Under Old Business:
1. Resolution #10-11 – Appointment to the Gaming Commission (Vice-President). Carmen Topetchy-Verser was appointed.
2. Resolution #10-12 – To create Economic Sub-divisions at TDC. Tabled.

Under New Business:
1. Travis Scott, I.H.S. CEO gave a report to Council on I.H.S. projects and changes.
2. Approve Fee Schedule for Liquor Control Commission permits/fees. Two new fees for Bottle and Liquor by the Drink fees. The fees were approved as presented.
3. Resolution #10-17 – A resolution for the submission of the HIV/AIDS Capacity Building grant was approved.
4. Resolution #10-18, American Indian Council Support – This Council provides employment and training opportunities for Native Americans in urban and rural areas. Approved.
5. Solid Waste Reduction Program grant. This grant submission did not require a resolution and was approved for submission by the Council after recommendation by the Proposal Review Committee.
6. Appointments to the Enrollment Committee (two positions). St. Elmo Wilde and Florence Goodfox Golworth were approved.
7. Appointment to the Higher Education Committee. Kay Tefertiller was appointed.
9. College Website – Council approved the bid of the Buffalo Nickel Company to provide the College Website. It is an Indian owned company.
10. Purchase requests from the Transportation Department: (a). $6,348 for concrete to finish the floor of the garage, and (b). $5,537 for five garage doors. Both bids were approved.
11. According to fiscal policies, Council approves all Council travel. All Council members submitted their requests for areas of interest and travel was approved.
12. Donation Requests: a. a. the Culture Committee requested $4,000 for a trip to Nebraska to assist in building a mud-lodge. Approved by recommendation of the Budget Committee. b. A request for a donation to the Title VII Parent Committee was tabled for additional information.
13. Request from Title VII Parent Committee to use the Multi-Purpose Building was also tabled.

Open Forum:
Linda Jestes requested permission for a group of women to fix up the Community House.

Executive Session:
1. Application, review and selection of top Candidates for the Attorney General.

After Executive Session, the three top candidates were selected to be interviewed on April 29, 2010. Those three candidates were: Amanda Proctor, Geoffrey Standing Bear and Mr. Bigler.

APRIL 28, 2010 PBC MEETING

The minutes of the April 1, 2010 PBC meeting were tabled.

All Council members and the Executive Director provided a report on their activities since the previous meeting.

Old Business:
1. Resolution #10-12 – To Create Economic Sub-Divisions at TDC. TDC requested this resolution be withdrawn. Council removed this resolution from the agenda.
2. Donation request from Title VII Parent Committee – additional information was not received, so this item was tabled.

New Business:
1. Change tribal mileage rate to $.50. (Previously was $.55) Approved.
2. Letter to Department of State regarding Keystone XL Pipeline. Motion was made to request consultation with Entrix on the findings, research, and write up done by Walter EchoHawk. Approved.
3. Library Enhancement Grant – A support letter was requested to submit this grant and it was approved pending approval by the Proposal Review Committee.
4. Review and approval of the Indian Housing Plan – tabled.
5. Chilocco/ULM Lease Proposal – Generally approving the proposal, but reserving full approval when the final lease is presented.

MAY 12, 2010 PBC MEETING

The minutes of the April 14th and April 28, 2010 PBC meetings were approved.

All Council members and the Executive Director provided a report on their activities since the previous meeting.

Old Business:
1. Request from Title VII Parent Committee to use the Multi-Purpose Building on May 10. Removed because date had already passed.
3. Housing I.H.P. – Approved with the condition additional information will be provided.

New Business:
1. Approve Contract – Attorney General – Geoffrey Standing Bear and the Council agreed on the contract and it was signed and approved.
2. Resolution #10-19 for the Law and Order Code, Title XXII – Natural Resource Protection Act – Approved.
3. Linda Jestes was appointed as the tribal representative for the Bio-Mass/Landfill Project for the County, with John Only A Chief appointed as Alternate.
4. Donation Request: Approved $15,000 Donation to the Pawnee Indian Veterans
5. Resolution #10-20 was approved to provide an annual appropriation for the Pawnee Nation College.
A cloudy day, the citizens of the small town of Genoa, Nebraska waiting for the rain to be over with. The middle of May and it feels like winter is still trying for one last blow. In this little town there is a museum that used to be a boarding school. This boarding school was one of the infamous Indian Schools until 1934. This Indian school happens to be where I'm heading this afternoon.

Genoa Indian School has been a museum for the public since 1990. It is a non-profit organization, their purpose is to educate people about the United States Boarding School located in Genoa. The members of this organization have been doing a marvelous job of educating people to the best of their abilities. They also hold annual reunions for the previous students and their families once a year. This past year, they only had two guests from Kansas for their reunion. According to them, the reunions are always a good time.

The museum itself is inside what used to be the manual training building. In this building they taught various things such as harness-making, basic construction, and wheel-making. Both boys and girls had to go to these schools.

The basic history of these Indian schools is horrendous to say the least. Children forced to forget their culture and families (for an extremely watered down version of this history). However it is also a piece of history that no one should forget. It is a very interesting bit of history that should always be remembered, and the people that run the Genoa Indian School are doing a great job of it.

All of this being said, my reaction to this museum is being impressed by this. Nancy and Sandra (the two ladies who gave us the tour) were knowledgeable, encouraging, and more than willing to talk about all that they know about the school. They discussed various aspects of the school, from the size of the school itself, to the tribes that had students attending there, and even some anecdotes of the things they have been doing since 1990.

I loved listening to them talk about their knowledge and anecdotes. The school itself has 46 symbols from the 46 tribes that had students attend there, one of them including our own Pawnee Nation flag. I believe that this is a place that every Pawnee tribal member should make at least once in their lives. Just to see where some of our ancestors went to school, and also some pointers as to where to see some Pawnee historical sites around Nebraska.

There is something I forgot to check out while I was at the Indian School, and that was the Genoa Museum. So that is one more place for me to check out. I’ll probably head back soon after I get done writing this. However my next concrete plan for my next installment is the powwow at the Kearney Archway which takes place June 18th and 19th. Honestly, I don't expect it to be anything like the powwow in Pawnee, but I am going to give it a chance. Who knows? Maybe I'll find that it's just like it. Until next time, see you next time dear Reader.

2010 RESOLUTIONS

#10-14 – A Resolution to submit the ANA-Language Grant – APPROVED. 03-24-10

#10-15 and #10-16 – Resolutions to appoint Supreme Court Justices – TABLED.

#10-17 – A Resolution to submit an HIV/AIDS Capacity Building Grant – APPROVED.

#10-18 – A Resolution to support the American Indian Center that provides Education and Training to Native Americans in Urban Areas. APPROVED.

#10-19 – A Resolution to Revise add Law and Order Code – Natural Resources Protection Act. APPROVED.

#10-20 – A Resolution to approve an annual appropriation for the Pawnee Nation College. APPROVED.

OKLAHOMA HONORING ELDERS

AARP Oklahoma is accepting nominations for its 2010 awards honoring 50 exceptional Native American elders. Nominees can be individuals or tribal governments. They need not be AARP members, but must be living, enrolled members of a federally recognized Oklahoma Indian tribe or nation.

Nominations of 250 words or less should highlight the elder's contributions to the tribe, community or state, in areas such as cultural preservation, community service, arts or leadership. Identify the nominee's tribal affiliation and include a nonreturnable photograph (print or jpeg). List contact information for the nominee and yourself, including e-mail addresses if available. Postmark or e-mail your nomination by July 31, addressed to AARP Oklahoma Indian Elder Honors, 126 N. Bryant, Edmond, OK 73034 or cedavis@aarp.org.
PAWNEE NATION HAS NEW MERCHANDISE FOR SALE

The Tax department is under the Pawnee Nation Finance Division. The Division Director is Bo Lewis. The hours of operation are Monday thru Friday from 8:00 to 5:00 p.m. The Tax Manager is available for tag issuance on the weekend by appointment only. To schedule an appointment or if you have any questions, please contact Lyle E. Fields, Tax manager at cell# 918-399-3312 or Cecelia Hawkins, Tax assistant at 918-762-3624 office.

The Pawnee Nation has new merchandise for sale at our office located at the Old BIA agency office at 490 Agency Road, Pawnee, Oklahoma 74058. Please come by and see the new merchandise for sale including tribal seal decals and Pawnee nation Seal magnets or Pawnee Nation flag refrigerator magnets. All of our new items feature our Pawnee Nation Seal such as red caps with the tribal band, Beach bag with towel, also tote bags, key chains, long sleeve shirts and knit caps.

The following items may be purchased by check or money order. There is a returned check fee of $25.00. All prices listed below include tax:

- Decals of Seal “3 round” $2.16
- Decal of Flag 4x5 $2.16
- Refrigerator magnet of seal $5.40
- Refrigerator magnet of flag $5.40
- Ashtrays (made of Old Pawnee Nation tags) $5.40
- Key chains (Pawnee Nation Flag) $5.40
- Seal sew on Patch $5.40
- Flag sew on Patch $5.40
- Mini tote Bag (Blue) with seal $10.80
- Beanie and knit skull cap in red, light grey or grey $10.80
- Pawnee Nation 10” Flag with base $10.80
- Red or White Ball caps with seal and each band $16.20
- Vanity Tags with each band & Oklahoma & Veteran on bottom $16.20
- T-Shirts with Seal Small to 3X Red, White or Blue $16.20
- Long Sleeve T-shirts sizes 1X, 2X and 3X only White or Black $18.60
- Beach Bag with Towel with Seal on Bag $21.60
- Polo shirts please call for available size and color $24.95
- Small Pawnee Nation Flag $27.00
- Large Pawnee Nation Flag $54.00
- Large Pawnee Indian Veterans Flag $54.00
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- Large Pawnee Indian Veterans Flag $54.00

ENROLLMENT OFFICE WILL BE OPEN DURING VETERANS HOMECOMING POWWOW

We will have the enrollment office open for the convenience of tribal members. Come by the office to get a free laminated CDIB, BIA 4432 form, updated your address or make a name change with supporting documents. If you come in to get a picture CDIB they are $5.00 and we can only take a money order, cashier check or a personal check.

- July 2, Friday 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
- July 3, Saturday 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

We will also be at the Homecoming Powwow Friday evening to answer questions, update addresses, and you can pick up enrollment applications.

- July 2, Friday 7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

If you have any questions please contact the Enrollment Office at 918-762-2624.

Cold Hard Cash

Cash Hot Seat Drawings every 15 minutes
June 15th from 7-9:30pm
Win up to $500 cash!

OKLAHOMA LAWYERS OFFERING FREE ONLINE LEGAL ADVICE TO STORM VICTIMS

Oklahoma lawyers are providing free online legal advice to victims of this month’s tornadoes, wind and hail storms.

Oklahoma’s Young LawyersDivision Chairperson Molly Aspan of Tulsa said, “The time has come for us to step up and offer assistance to our communities. I know in some instances people have lost everything. The first responders have done a remarkable job in helping with immediate needs, but it is during this time as people begin to rebuild their lives that legal questions about insurance and property damage begin to take priority.”

Advice is only being offered for legal questions related to the recent storms. Those seeking assistance should include as many details about their situation in the online form as possible, including their name, location, e-mail address and phone number.

Once the online form has been submitted, it will be forwarded to a volunteer attorney coordinator who will assign the question to an attorney. All questions will be acknowledged and reviewed by the volunteer attorney within one business day of receipt. Questions submitted after normal business hours, on weekends or holidays will be responded to on the next business day.

Some questions can be answered briefly through an e-mail response. Some questions may require the assigned attorney contact storm victims by phone to further discuss their legal issue.

The 16,000-member Oklahoma Bar Association, headquartered in Oklahoma City, was created by the Oklahoma Supreme Court to advance the administration of justice and to foster and maintain learning, integrity, competence, public service and high standards of conduct among Oklahoma’s legal community.
On May 13, 2010, Sundance Institute announced four fellows and projects selected for the 2010 Sundance Institute-Ford Foundation Fellowship. The Sundance Institute's Native American and Indigenous Program created the fellowship with support from the Ford Foundation to provide direct support to emerging Native American and Indigenous film artists working in the U.S. The 2010 Native American and Indigenous Fellows are: Yolanda Cruz (Chatino) - La Raya, Ramona Emerson (Diné) - Opal, Randi LeClair (Pawnee Nation) - The Other Side of the Bridge, and Kaherawaks Thompson (Mohawk) - Close to Death.

Randi LeClair is an enrolled member of the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma. She graduated from Oklahoma State University with a BA in English (Creative Writing) and is currently a graduate student in the University of Oklahoma's Master of Professional Writing program. Recently, Randi and her husband, Todd, signed an option agreement for the screen adaptation of Todd’s book about Pittsburg Pirates pitcher Mose Yellowhorse, the first full-blood American Indian in the major leagues. In addition to screenwriting, Randi also engages her love of literary fiction and is currently working on a collection of short stories. She also serves as co-editor for Out of the Stars: An Anthology of Pawnee Writing, Stories, and Art. Her dream is to help bring Native Cinema to the mainstream.

The Sundance Institute-Ford Foundation Fellowship is a two-stage development opportunity for filmmakers with film projects at the early stages of development. The first stage of support is an intensive five-day workshop to be held May 24-28, 2010 on the Ancestral lands of the Mescalero Apache Tribe in New Mexico. The workshop is designed to support filmmakers in strengthening their craft, developing their voice as writers, and advancing their current projects closer towards production. Fellows receive feedback on their projects from established screenwriters and filmmakers who serve as Creative Advisors all within a safe and nurturing environment.

The second stage of the Fellowship is intended to advance the careers of the Fellows by providing networking opportunities with film professionals who can advise them on both the craft and business of cinema. Fellows will attend the 2011 Sundance Film Festival where they can network with established screenwriters, producers, and other industry professionals.

PAWNEE ART SHOW IN DANNEBROG, NEBRASKA

As you know the Pawnee Nation owns a building in the small town of Dannebrog, Nebraska. That is the home town of Mr. Roger Welsch, who is an adopted member of our tribe. Mr Welsch is the man who gave our tribe his home and the land that surrounds it. (50 acres)

Mr. and Mrs. Welsch want to open this building at least once a month for an Arts and Crafts Show. This is an outlet for any tribal member who might want to sell some of their work. You are invited to box up your items and send them to him. They will open the building at least once a month, and are hoping to get enough arts and crafts to open once a week. Be sure to put your name and price on each item.

All proceeds will go to the artist, minus 15% that will be used for the maintenance and costs of the building. (Insurance, taxes, utilities etc)

No money will be accepted by the Welsch’s, they are doing this for the tribe.

Remember:
1. The building belongs to the Pawnee Nation.
2. 85% of the purchase price goes to the artist.
3. The remaining 15% of the purchase price goes to the building maintenance fund.
4. No money from the sales goes to anyone except the artist 85%.
5. The remaining 15% goes into the building maintenance fund.

"Nawa Friends and Kin,
It’ll be a while before we can calculate the exact figure, but I’d estimate we did a thousand dollars worth of business last night. That’s enough to cover that last electric bill and plenty of checks to send south to Pawnee. I know things won’t go this well every Thursday night, but it is a good start.

We’re starting a checking account at the bank for our sales deposits and figure we’ll do our accounting every eight weeks or so.

Roger

His address is Roger Welsch.
Primrose Farms
1383 Hwy 58
Dannebrog, NE.
68831 - 9759

LEARNING CENTER STUDENTS RECEIVE VISIT FROM PAWNEE NATION FIRE FIGHTER

By Marilyn Feathers, Childcare Program Coordinator

The Pawnee Nation Learning Center had the pleasure of meeting a Pawnee Nation Fire Fighter! Justin McCaughey, Pawnee Nation Volunteer Fire Fighter and Gerald Woommavovah, Emergency Services Coordinator visited the 3 Child Care Learning sites on May 4. The Early Learning Center and the Pawnee Nation Learning Center met Justin as he came to the center dressed in street clothes.

The two men visited and played with the children and as the children became comfortable with the visitors, Justin began putting on pieces of his uniform. With each addition he would walk around to each child and continue talking and playing. The fire fighter’s equipment was placed on the floor for the children to explore. The more adventurous children tried on the helmet and air mask and showed their friends how strong they were to wear such heavy pieces of equipment. The next thing the children knew there was a fully dressed fire fighter wearing full gear which included the breathing tank and air mask. The children were delighted to have such fun visitors.

The two men went to the Pa<ee Pakoo<oo Learning Center to visit the children. At this site, Justin went in in full gear crawling on the floor as he would in a house fire. He took off pieces of his uniform to show the children he was a community member. The children thoroughly enjoyed learning about fire fighters!
2010 Pawnee Nation Graduation

MAY 15, 2010

2010 Graduates
Zachary Rice (AS-CJ), Calvin Rowe (AA-LS), Brandi Leading Fox (A to B), Patricia Brown (A to B), Chalis Cox (AAS-Busi), Vicky LeClair (AIS-Artistic Studies) and Elaine Rhoades (AA-LS).

Photo’s Courtesy of
Kathleen Araujo
Kat’s Eye Photography
**SUN SAFETY FROM CHR’S**

*By Tiffany Friete, CHR Director*

It isn't possible or practical to completely avoid sunlight, and it would be unwise to reduce your level of activity to avoid the outdoors. Time in sunlight helps your body make vitamin D, which can be important for good health, but too much sunlight can be harmful. Most people think about sun protection only when they spend a day at the lake, beach, or pool, but sun exposure adds up day after day, and it happens every time you are in the sun.

Doctors stress that “it does not matter what color your skin is, everybody is at risk of getting skin cancer”. More importantly, dermatologists say they are concerned because skin cancer rates are increasing among minority groups in the United States. In addition, some minority groups do benefit from the protective effects of skin pigmentation. In fact, some studies suggest that for the darkest skin tones, pigmentation cells provide a natural sun protection factor (SPF) of about 13. Pigmentation may have sun-protective qualities, but even for the darkest skin, it falls short of the AAD’s recommendation of a daily SPF of at least 15 for everyone.

The following are recommendations from the American Cancer Society:

Cover Up- Clothes provide different levels of protection, depending on many factors. Long-sleeved shirts, long pants, or long skirts cover the most skin and are the most protective. Dark colors generally provide more protection than light colors. A tightly woven fabric protects better than loosely woven clothing. Dry fabric is generally more protective than wet fabric. If you can see light through a fabric, UV rays can get through too. Be aware that covering up doesn't block out all UV rays. The ideal sun-protective fabrics are lightweight, comfortable, and protect against exposure even when wet.

Wear Sunscreen-A sunscreen is a product that you apply to your skin for some protection against the sun's UV rays, although it does not provide total protection. Sunscreens are available in many forms -- lotions, creams, ointments, gels, wipes, and lip balms. Choose a sunscreen with a SPF of 15 or higher. The SPF number represents the level of protection against UVB rays provided by the sunscreen -- a higher number means more protection. When using an SPF 15 and applying it correctly, you get the equivalent of 1 minute of UVB rays for each 15 minutes you spend in the sun. So, 1 hour in the sun wearing SPF 15 sunscreen is the same as spending 4 minutes totally unprotected. Just remember to reapply after swimming, sweating, or toweling dry.

Wear Accessories—A hat with at least a 2-3-inch brim all around is ideal because it protects areas often exposed to the sun, such as the neck, ears, eyes, forehead, nose, and scalp. Don’t forget to wear sunglasses to protect your eyes and surrounding tender skin.

Play in the Shade--The sun's rays are generally strongest from 10am to 4pm. If your children are outdoors, be sure their skin is protected. Babies younger than 6 months should be kept out of direct sunlight and protected from the sun using hats and protective clothing.

**TIPS ON HANDLING THE SUMMER HEAT WITH DIABETES**

1. **KEEP HYDRATED:** Dehydration can occur when your blood glucose is not under control and can cause it to be elevated. When your blood glucose is elevated, this can cause frequent urination. To avoid dehydration, drink plenty of caffeine-free fluids such as water, sugar-free ice tea, or lemonade and limit alcohol consumption.

2. **HEAT EXHAUSTION:** Persons with diabetes and other chronic diseases are more vulnerable to overheating.
   - Symptoms include: feeling faint or dizzy, excessive sweating, muscle cramps, skin feeling cold or clammy, headaches, rapid heartbeat and/or nausea.
   - If you experience any of these symptoms, move to a cool location and drink plenty of fluids like water, juice, or sports drinks (based on your primary health care provider’s instructions) and seek medical attention.

3. **EXERCISE:** Use extreme caution when exercising in the summer; choose a cool location such as an air-conditioned gym. If you choose to participate in physical activity outside, do so in the early morning or evening when the temperatures may be more moderate.

4. **SUGAR CHECKS:** Check blood glucose levels three to four times a day or more often if you are not feeling well. Remember that heat can cause blood glucose levels to fluctuate. Have plenty of water and nutritional snacks on hand in case you need them.

5. **STORING DIABETIC SUPPLIES:** Store your glucometer, strips, and insulin in a cool, dry place. Do not store insulin in extreme temperatures such as the freezer, in direct sunlight when in the car or in the glove compartment of the car.

6. **WHEN TRAVELING:** Store your glucometer, strips, and insulin in a small pouch with a cool gel pack to ensure your supplies do not over heat. Always pack enough supplies to last an additional 3-4 days for possible change of plans.

*American Diabetes Association, Diabetes-Health*

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**CHR/EMS/HE NEWS:**

The CHR/EMS/HE Program has moved to the Health & Community Services Center (formerly old Indian Health Service Center). The following are the telephone numbers and address for our program: 400 Agency Road and (918)762-4641 or (918)762-3873, option 1.

The CHR/EMS/HE Program received a $20,000 HIV/AIDS Capacity Building grant from the Office of Minority Health Resource Center. The purpose of the grant is to establish a one year tribal effort around HIV/AIDS awareness, education, and testing.
PROJ eCT “GReEn THuMBPRInTS”

The REACH US program is sponsoring a gardening project in collaboration with the Pawnee National Learning Center. The collaborative effort will result in developing raised beds for producing vegetable gardens for the children. The REACH US Assistant, Debbie Dandurand, will coordinate building the beds with the Property Department, and will implement the planting of the beds. With assistance from the Learning Center teachers, she will also initiate the lesson plans for the project.

Marilyn Feathers, Child Care Program Coordinator, approved the project termed “Green Thumbprints”, and sees the gardens as a valuable learning tool. The project’s purpose is to provide age-appropriate nutrition education, environmental and recycling techniques, taste-testing opportunities, and food preparation skills to all the children involved.

“Green Thumbprints” views these gardens as the “seed” of things to come. The group hopes to gain momentum for next spring, with potential plans for a community garden.

PAWNEE NATION EMPLOYEE POKER WALK

Healthy Nations with the collaboration of the Health Division, provided a Poker Walk on May 19, 2010, which was National Employee Health and Fitness Day. It began at 11 a.m. in the gym, due to rain. For every lap walked, the employee received a card. Laura Mae Melton had the best hand at poker, and won a 20 watts CD Stereo System. A Healthy Brown Bag lunch was provided, along with a recipe card. All employees were encouraged to participate.

Oklahoma Tobacco Helpline

1 800 QUIT NOW

You may be eligible for FREE patches and gum!

Did you know that people who call the helpline program and also use the patch, gum or other quitting medications are more than twice as likely to quit?

The phone call to the Helpline is FREE and so are the services they offer. Most people that call the Helpline are eligible to receive FREE patches and gum.

More importantly the Helpline works! Thousands of Oklahomans have already called the Helpline and found out that the Helpline coach made sense and gave them ideas about how to quit and stay quit. You are just one phone call away from getting the help that will be just right for you.

QUIT NOW – there’s never a better time!

What are the Oklahoma Tobacco Helpline hours?

Sunday – Saturday 7:00 a.m. – 2:00 a.m. and the call is FREE!

What happens when I call the Helpline?

A helpful assistant will ask you a few questions. Next you’ll talk to a quit coach who can help you get ready to quit tobacco for good. With help from your coach you’ll set a “quit date” and prepare for a healthy lifestyle change. In a short time you’ll receive helpful materials in the mail.

After your quit date, your coach will check in with you to see how you are doing. And you can always call the Helpline anytime you are struggling. This is the FREE help you have been waiting for!

When You're Ready to Quit, We’re Ready to Help!
Nawah Relatives and Friends,

My name is Raven Mamie Morgan and I am the 2010 Pawnee Nation Princess. My parents are Victor Sr and LaRenda Morgan from Oklahoma City. I will be a freshman in highschool in the fall of 2010. I was named after my late great-grandmother Mamie Morgan. My Pawnee Indian name is Choo Pitit Tahkah. I have held two other princess titles of 2007 Oklahoma Indian Bikers Princess and 2008 Jr. Miss Indian Oklahoma City. I am enrolled member of the Pawnee Nation, and am also Cheyenne-Arapaho, and Otoe. I come from the Morgan, Knifechief, Lumpymouth-Black, Bushyhead, DeRoin, & Rickman families. I was asked by Tom Morgan, the Pawnee Nation Exposition Director to serve as the 2010 Pawnee Nation Princess. My year began as Pawnee Nation Princess on January 1, 2010. Thank you Uppit!

My hobbies are reading and walking my dogs, powwow dancing and playing ball, and watching NY Yankees games. I have attended many dances and powwows, but some interesting things I have done this year is:

I became a member of Morning Star Dance Team Ministries. It is a ministry of Jay Mule, a fancy dancer and preacher who wrote a native performance about the life of Jesus and we performed it in our Indian regalia. We have also done a men’s prison ministry where we danced and there was testimony from dancers. I performed the Lord’s Prayer in sign language. Some were Indian prisoners and it was good to be a part of the ministry.

In March, my school had a Cultural Diversity assembly and I along another native girl where able to dance southern cloth for our Jr high. It made me feel good to be able to do this because, my friends and teachers got the chance to see an actual American Indian instead of just reading text from a book and assuming that we just go yell around and we just throw beads on. They were able to see me in my regalia. I am proud to be Indian!

I also was fortunate to meet an award winning American Indian book author Sherman Alexie. He wrote one of my favorite books “A True Diary of a Part time Indian” He was recieving an award and OU and my father took me to OU for a book signing. Sherman Alexie’s books inspire me because he lets people see how most indians think and their point of view. He shows that we don’t get everything we desire, but we are strong people. His words flow in my brain. My favorite quote from the book is from the first chapter of The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian: “I feel important with a pen in my hand. I feel like I might grow up to be somebody important. An artist. Maybe a famous artist. Maybe a rich artist.” and also “I think the world is a series of broken dams and floods, and my cartoons are tiny little lifeboats.” I suggest EVERYONE reads this book! I don’t care if you’re old or young; I promise, you will enjoy every last word on the pages.

In April, my mother and I participated in the 2010 Central Oklahoma Heartwalk in Bricktown, OKC. We did the 5k to help raise funds for the American Heart Association. We dedicated our walk to my Arapaho great grandpa Edward Lumpymouth Black Sr. who died from heart disease in 1989. It was a cold, rainy day and a long ways but for a good cause.

Some upcoming events are that I will be representing the Pawnee Nation this year, is in the Red Earth Parade. I plan on attending various powwows throughout the summer. I also will be attending 2010 Pawnee Indian Veterans Homecoming & Powwow with my relatives. In August, I will be competing in a week long competition in Anadarko Oklahoma for the 79th Annual 2010 American Indian Exposition and competing for the title of 2010 Miss American Indian Exposition. The competition will be interviews, traditional talent, tribal greeting, dance participation, parades and formal attire and traditional dress. If anyone would like to participate in the parades with me, you are more than welcome and I would be happy if you did! The parades are on Monday and Saturday. Here is the website for Expo information www.americanindianexposition.org

I am honored and thankful to be representing the Pawnee Nation this year. When I think of being a Pawnee, and what it means, it is special because we have a strong, beautiful culture and unique language. I am still learning my cultural ways and I would like to give a special thank you and appreciation to my grandma Annie Morgan-Collins from Pawnee for her help and support. God bless you all with good health, happiness and love!

Raven Mamie Morgan
“Choo Pitit Tahkah”
2010 Pawnee Nation Princess

“Chaticks si Chaticks -June 2010- Chaticks si Chaticks -June 2010-”

Pictured left to right are: President Thomas Rice, Vice-President Ronald Rice, Jr. and Secretary/Treasurer Denise Miller. All tribes living in the Pawnee jurisdiction are welcome to join the Pawnee Chapter.”
Dalecia Satepauhoolde was crowned Jr Miss Indian OKC, Sonia Hoffman crowned Miss Indian OKC and Sierra Price crowned Lil Miss Indian OKC.

Congratulations to all!
Susan Satepauhoolde

Community Highlights

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CONGRATULATIONS FALICITY!
We are so proud of your accomplishment in graduating Baby Girl. I hope your dreams take you to the corners of your smiles, to the highest of your hopes, to the windows of your opportunities, and to the most special places your heart has ever known. Graduation is not the end - rather it is the beginning. Make the most of yourself, for that is all there is of you. We love you so much Falcidity.

Mom, Dad, Chemako, Cress and the Wishkeno family

CONGRATULATIONS AUTUMN!

Autumn Only A Chief was inducted into the Oklahoma Indian Honor Society for 2009-2010. A Pawnee High School Freshman and enrolled Member of the Pawnee Nation and Pawnee Indian Baptist Church, she is the Daughter of John Only A Chief of Pawnee, OK and Vivian Evora Only A Chief of Los Angeles CA.

Autumn, a 4.0 GPA student, received the Title 7 Academic Achievement Award for 9th Grade. She is also the current Northern Plains Indian Club Princess for 2009-2010, an Oklahoma Honor Society member and received an Award of Excellence in Earth Science and Computers.

She is also the Secretary/Treasurer for the Freshman Class, and involved in BETA, Peace Makers, basketball and track.

CONGRATULATIONS TO NSU GRADUATES TISHIA SEWELL AND MICHAELFIELDS.

Tishia received her BS in Psychology, Mental Health and a Minor in Sociology. Tishia resides in Tahlequah, OK and is the daughter of Nannie & Charles Sewell.

Michael received a BS in Health & Human Performance and a Minor in Dietetics. Mike resides in Wauhillau, OK and is the son of Melissa and Jim Fields.

This photo is of May Pratt Smith in Washington D.C. May was attending a conference (year unknown) and wanted to visit The Wall to find her grandson, Tommy Little-Sun’s name. Raymond Fields took May to The Wall, and took this picture of May pointing to Tommy’s name.
SKEDEE BRIDGE PROJECT UPDATE

By Jim McCormick, Project Manager

Construction work is continuing on the Pawnee Nation bridge project—and progress is finally being achieved, thanks to the efforts of the “plains bridge” contracting team, and a few days of good weather.

The pictures will show that the concrete piers and concrete abutments are complete, as well as most of the embankment protection (rip rap) is in place, with some still to be placed before completion.

The bridge contract is currently 41% complete, and should be completed sometime in August 2010. The expected summer weather should allow progress to improve in the coming weeks ahead.

At present, the work has been slowed by heavy rains, but construction will resume soon and bridge beam placement is expected to begin next week—weather permitting.

We appreciate everyone’s patience in traveling the Skedee—Blackburn route on a regular basis.

Scott Applegate was granted a summer internship with the Pawnee Nation Transportation Department by OSU Tribal Technical Assistance Program. Scott is a second year student obtaining a degree in Construction Management.

His hobbies include fishing, hunting, spending time outdoors and family.

By Jerry Rilley, Plans Bridge Contracting of Oklahoma, Inc. and Jeffrey Dixon—Mehlburger Brawley Engineering Corp.

HOUSEKEEPING/GROUNDS MAINTENANCE SERVICES FOR PAWNEE HEALTH CENTER

By James Rice, Housekeeping/Grounds Maintenance Manager

The Housekeeping/Grounds Maintenance (HK/GM) Manager of the HK/GM Department administers and carries out the Housekeeping and Grounds Maintenance Services for the U.S.P.H.S. Indian Health Center, Pawnee, Oklahoma.

As of May 21, 2010, the housekeepers have a combined sixty-three point four (63.4) years of experience in the cleaning field and grounds maintenance has a combined thirty-one point three (31.3) years in lawn care.

Mr. Darrel Rice resigned due to health reasons; Mr. John Horsechief resigned to pursue higher education at Haskell Indian University in Lawrence, Kansas while Mr. John Washines moved to Lawrence, Kansas with so Alisha Chaino–Ahkeahbo could pursue her higher education at Haskell.

In May, Ms. Dana Whiteshirt was hired as the housekeeping/grounds maintenance manager and later in the year resigned to take a position with the Indian Health Service. In October, Mr. James Rice was transferred to the manager position with Mr. Steven Moore as assistant manager.

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The Housekeeping/Grounds Maintenance Department strives to accomplish the following:

1. Provide quick responsive and friendly service to patients, employees, staff and visitors.
2. Complete cleaning schedules according to developed housekeeping manual.
4. Fulfill routine cleaning schedules—Pawnee Health Center.

Most of housekeeper’s duties are routine, the work schedules deviate according to the circumstances (i.e. blood spill, vomit, employee on sick leave, etc.). The workload increases as flu season approaches or upon urgent and emergencies requested by the critical areas (Lab and Medical). For non-critical submissions to our office are rare while less urgent and/or emergency requests are given a lighter priority and are scheduled to be performed subsequently by a housekeeper whose duties are in the non-critical areas.

Future Plans
To secure funding for a purchase of a three-quarter (¾) ton truck for snow removal of the parking lot, for transporting equipment to service center in Stillwater and for local/out-of-town travel. In addition, request funding for construct a 20’ by 50’ grounds maintenance garage to store grounds maintenance equipment and supplies as well as housekeeping equipment.

The Pawnee Nation provides housekeeping services in support of the five (5) days per week. 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. schedule.

The Pawnee Nation provides all grounds maintenance services including landscape and snow removal from onsite roads and parking lots to support the clinic operations of five (5) days per week on an 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. schedule.

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FOOD DISTRIBUTION NEWS

By Florissa Kanuho, Food Distribution Supervisor

The program continues to provide over 70 food products which includes; canned and fresh vegetables and fruits, as well as frozen meats. The program is in the process of expanding the fresh produce offerings by adding 13 more items. The items that will be available year round will consist of: Apples (more variety), Avocado, Brussels Sprouts, Cauliflower, Romaine Lettuce, and Radish. The Seasonal items are: Asparagus, Cherries, Grapes, Honey Dew Melon, Kiwi, Nectarines, and Plums.

On March 1st, the new FDPIR Resource Limits, and Exclusions Final Rule went into effect. This rule will improve the program service by: (1) bringing the maximum level of allowable resources in line with SNAP. The new resource limits are: $3000 for households with at least one elderly or disabled member and $2,000 for household without any elderly or disabled members. Elderly is defined as 60 years and older; (2) allowing a resource exclusion for the first 1,500 of the equity value of one pre-paid funeral arrangement per household member; and (3) allowing a household in which all adult members are elderly and/or disabled to be certified for up to 24 months. The program is required to contact the household assigned a certification period longer than 12 months at least once every 12 months.

To see if you are eligible for the program, or have any questions, you can call (918) 762-2541, ext. 30, or come by our temporary location in the warehouse of Roam Chief Building.

With all the construction going on at the Roam Chief Building, you are probably wondering where the Food Distribution Program has moved to. We are still in the Roam Chief Building, but temporarily located in the warehouse. To enter the warehouse, you will need to come in through the south door of the newer warehouse. You will be provided carts to take your USDA foods to your vehicles.

To contact the Food Distribution Program, call (918) 762-2541, ext. 30. At this time, this is the only telephone line available.

HEALTHY NATIONS/SAP PROVIDE STUDENTS WITH LOCK-IN

By Suzy Snell, Healthy Nations Coordinator

Pawnee High School and Middle School students and their friends were invited to attend. A total of 70 students attended. Door prize drawings were drawn first for the Seniors. Zane Howell represented the Seniors and won 3 prizes, a mini fridge, tom tom, and flat screen TV.
SPC TIKE DANSON ALFORD CHAPMAN
June 30th, 1983 -April 23rd, 2010

His age at the time of death was 26 years, 10 months and 7 days. Tike was a citizen of the Pawnee Nation (of the Kit-ke-hahk'-i band), and also Absentee Shawnee, Muscogee Creek and Seneca. His Pawnee name is: Kitka Hahkee-Ti- “Ke-Wakoo meaning “The Wolf that Howls in the Distant Night”. As a graduate from Tulsa Central High School in 2002, he excelled in athletics and lettered in football, basketball and baseball, but basketball was his passion and was the lone Texas Longhorn fan in a family of OU Sooners. In 2006, at the age of 20, he enlisted in the United States Army. At the time of his death he was a SPC, in the 15th CS COE FWD SPT 1ST CAV DIV, Fort Hood, Texas and had been reassigned to 94th Engineer Support in Ft. Leonard Wood, Missouri. Tike was honored to serve our Country and displayed this by serving two tours of duty in Operation Iraq Freedom in Baghdad and returned to the United States this past December 2009. He was scheduled to return later this year for a third tour. Taking part in his Native Culture and Traditions was very important to him and he loved to participate in gourd dancing, he was in the process of bringing his two young sons around the drum. Although he loved his career in the Army and being around his Native American culture his favorite role was being a Dad and spending as much time as possible with his sons Jeremiah and Isaiah. One of Tike’s favorite sayings was “Family First.” Tike is survived by two sons Jeremiah age 6 and Isaiah age 4 of the home. Parents Yvonne Katherine and Dwayne Cahwee, and Charles B. and Lori Chapman, all residing in Tulsa, Oklahoma. He is survived by two brothers and three sisters: Ray Wildcat and Renee Alford of Glenpool, Justin Surridge of Oologah, Katherine Danene and Terry Smith, of Tulsa Marissa and Wayne Campbell of Pawnee and Atiravonne Chapman of Tulsa. Tike was an Uncle to Spc. Matthew D. and Alyssa Beaver currently stationed at Ft. Drum, New York, Mykel and Malik Smith, Maizy, William, and Lucas Campbell, Amie and Amanda Lee, and was a Great Uncle to Madison Beaver. Maternal Grandson of the late Eugene R. and Davene S. Alford of Tulsa, and was a nephew of Eugene R. and Martha Lee Alford of Phoenix, AZ, Dianne S. and Gary Guthrie, and Janene F. Alford all from Tulsa. Great nephew of Olelah Mae Morris of Lawrence Kansas, and Ruth Ann Waphecome of Chula Vista, California. Great, Great nephew of Lucy Kemble of Ponca City. And also grandson of the late Mose and Thelma Cahwee. He was also survived by his first cousins: Juanita Smith, of Stilwell, Adam and Margo Proctor, of Tulsa, Wesly and Torina Proctor, of Tahlequah, Amy and Bill Takacs and Jennifer Alford of Arizona. Paternal Grandson of the late Basil and Alma Keys Chapman. And nephew to Richard Henry Chapman, of Yale, Wathena June and Larry Lawrence of Tahlequah, Liana May and Richard Teter of Yale. The late Basil Chapman had six brothers and 6 sisters and all brothers had served in the military. Tike was also a direct descendant to The Shunatona Family on his Otoe family side. Maternal Servicemen: His Grandfather, Eugene R. Alford Sr. He was a Holocaust Liberator in Dachau, Germany WWII Era Veteran, Purple Heart recipient, Bronze Star Medal with cluster and also a Silver Star recipient. His Uncles Eugene R. Alford Jr. Vietnam Era Veteran conflict and his brother Ray Wildcat Alford, a member of the 101st Airborne, and nephew SPC. Matthew D. Beaver is currently stationed at Ft. Drum, New York. Tike comes from a long line of soldiers who were committed to serving and protecting our Country and was a “True Warrior”. He was also 7th generation direct descendant to the Great Chief Tecumseh of the Shawnee Nations. Paternal Servicemen: Charles B (Chip) Chapman, United States Air Force- Served in the 14th Security Police Squadron Nha Trang, Vietnam and Rick Chapman served as Financial Clerk in Saigon, Vietnam and was the recipient of the Bronze Star Medal, including lifelong family of members of Pawnee Scouts. Great Grandfather Walter Keys served as the First President of the Pawnee Homecoming & Pow-wow which formed in 1946, which is now in its 64th year. “A Son, Brother, Nephew, Grandson, Uncle, Father, Cousin, and Friend you loved and were loved by many. We love you Tike and we will miss you and will value every moment of your life, that you gave us in this life. We know you just went ahead of us and we will see your smile again”

JAMES DYLANN (J.D.) GONZALEZ
May 29, 1987 – May 1, 2010

J.D. was born in Pawnee, OK to James N. Krohn and Dollie P. Gonzales. He passed from this life on Saturday, May 1, 2010 in Pawnee, OK having reached the age of 22 years, 11 months, and 2 days. He married Samantha Nicole Fields in 2005 and was a member of the Native American Church.

J.D. is survived by: Wife, Samantha Gonzales; Mother, Dollie Gonzales; Sister, Mia Peck; Brother, Don Gonzales; Brothers-in-law, James and Joseph Fields; Aunts/Mother in Pawnee Way, Phyllis Gonzales, Ernestine Jacobs, Janet Gonzales, Dena Dishman, Dana Whiteshirt, Oleta White, Whitey Harris, Karen Horsechief, Minnie Rice and Kat Keeling; Uncles, Sherman Gonzales, Ron Dishman, Mark Price, Huey Keeling, John Eaves, Mike Moore and Robert Thomas; Aunts, Karla Knifechief, Alice Ann Alexander, Kathy Eaves and Kim Knifechief; Father, James Krohn; Fathers-in-law, Lawrence Maker and John Fields; Grandparents, Claudia and Floyd Krohn, Joanne and Bill Rankins, and Regina Wilson; plus a number of other relatives, and many friends.

J.D. was preceded in death by his grandparents, Sadie and Howard Gonzales, Wilson Moore, Aunt Susan Gonzales, Uncle Howard Gonzales, Uncle Jody Robedeaux, Great-Grandparents, Dollie and Colonel Moore, and Irena and Manuel Gonzales.

Services were held at 2 p.m. on Friday, May 7, 2010 at the Pawnee Nation Multi-Purpose Complex.

FLORAL HAVEN, GRAVESIDE SERVICES

Memorial Service, 12:00 pm - Traditional Feast. Funeral Service held in Broken Arrow, OK. Tuesday: 1:00 pm - Visitation at Floral Haven, Broken Arrow, OK; 7:30 pm - Wake Services at Floral Haven. Wednesday: 3:00 pm - Funeral at Floral Haven, Graveside services at the Garden of the Good Shepherd.

LAVINA W. WICHITA
August 11, 1926 – May 23, 2010

Lavina was born in Pawnee, OK to Thomas J. Wamego and Angeline Pratt Wamego. She passed from this life on Sunday, May 23, 2010 in Pawnee, OK having reached the age of 83 years, 9 months and 12 days. She received her Licensed Practical Nursing and training at Lawton Indian Hospital in Lawton, OK, and her first duty station was in Keams Canyon, Arizona. She retired from Indian Health Services with 28 years of service, where she worked as a Mental Health Tech.

Lavina is survived by children: Byron & Diane Wichita of Pawnee OK; Gordon Wichita of Tulsa, OK; Gwen Pickering and husband Bryce of Pawnee, OK; Leo and Helen Murlie of Pawnee, OK; Sister, Mae Morris of Pawnee; Brother Perry Wamego of Orlando, FL; seven grandchildren, eleven great-grandchildren, plus a number of other relatives, and many friends.

Lavina was preceded in death by her parents, Thomas Wamego and Angeline Pratt Wamego; her grandson, Richard Wichita; and her brother, Michael George Wamego.

Services were held at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, May 26, 2010 at Poteet Funeral Chapel, Pawnee, OK with Rev. Jordan Kanuho officiating. Interment was at South Indian Cemetery in Pawnee, OK, under the direction of Poteet Funeral Home, Pawnee, OK.
Eunice was born in Pawnee, OK to Jasper Hadley and Alice EchoHawk Hadley. She passed from this life on Monday, May 31, 2010 in Tulsa, OK having reached the age of 91 years, 9 months, and 3 days. She was raised in Pawnee and attended Pawnee Indian School through the Eighth Grade, at which time she went to the Haskell Indian School in Lawrence, Kansas, beginning a family tradition that has lasted for three generations. She returned to Oklahoma after graduation from Haskell and during the World War II worked in Tulsa for McDonnell Douglas Aircraft as a wing assembler. In 1945, she met and married Jimmie Wildcat and they made their home in Tulsa. They would have celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary this August. Eunice was well known throughout the Tulsa Indian community through her work, particularly the 20-plus years she spent with the Lyons Indian Store. In addition to her work there, she participated in the Indian Club and was an active voice in Indian issues that arose in the 60s and 70s. In 1982 she was named “Outstanding Indian Woman of the Year,” by the Oklahoma Federation of Indian Women. She served as one of the directors of the Miss Indian Oklahoma Pageant for several years and worked for the Federation’s Annual Benefit Dance held in Stroud, OK. She was also a member of the Pawnee Indian Chapter of the American War Mothers. One of her proudest accomplishments was ensuring the Pawnee Tribal Member Moses Yellowhorse was inducted into the American Hall of Fame as the first full-blood Indian to play professional baseball.

A proud full-blood Pawnee, she was raised in a very traditional home and was the EchoHawk family matriarch and resource for maintaining those traditions. She was an active participant in all Pawnee and family activities until health issues slowed her down just the past year.

Eunice is survived by: Husband, Jimmie Wildcat of Tulsa; Sons, Darrell Wildcat Sr. and his wife Carla of Anadarko, OK, Wesley Wildcat and his wife Ruby of Boulder, CO, and Bobby Wildcat of Tulsa, OK; Grandchildren, Mindy, Michelle, Jacob, Darrell Jr. and Matthew; Great-Grandchildren, Renae, Samantha, LeSharo, Vann, Jimmie, Kayik, Kristie, Jasmine, Maddux, Matthew Jr., Jordan and Echo. Plus a number of other relatives and many friends.

Services were held at 10 a.m. on Thursday, June 3, 2010 at the Pawnee Nation Multi-Purpose Complex with Rev. Warren Pratt Jr. officiating, under the direction of Poteet Funeral Home, Pawnee, OK.

The Chaticks si Chaticks would like to apologize to the family of Myron Duane “Hobe” Echo Hawk, for the accidental misspelling of his name in the April Chaticks si Chaticks. We sincerely apologize for any pain or anguish we may have caused. Please accept our whole-hearted apology.

Sincerely,
The Staff of the Chaticks si Chaticks
I want to leave our younger family members, whom I dearly love, with some good thoughts about our family.

Be proud to know that our family bloodline goes directly back to Nebraska. Our family patriarchs are Curley Chief, Buffalo Chief, William Mathews, and Ruling-His-Son. I am going to write a little about our up-pit, William Mathews. Born in Nebraska homelands in 1865- Died in Indian Territory, i.e. Pawnee, OK in 1939.

He was from the Chau Band and was a young warrior of around 16 years of age when our people made the ‘migration’- our own ‘Trail of Tears’ from our ancestral homelands of Nebraska into Indian Territory. My father, your Up-pit Alex said that ‘Dad must’ve been an orphan or lost most of his family (from the dreaded smallpox epidemic or other atrocities-like fighting off the Siouxs- our arch-enemies), as he did not have many relatives, unlike our Grandma Nannie’s side of the family. He provided well for his family and had a farm with horses, chickens, and a few head of cattle. He also had a Sweat Lodge on the homeplace that his sons could participate in, even at a young age. Their two-story house still stands on the ‘homeplace’ of his original allotted land south of Pawnee.

He was a medicine man that kept his long hair and wore braids. He only spoke Pawnee and very little English. He was what is called in today’s language, a ‘horse whisperer’.

My father has said that “Dad always told us to take good care of the horses and see to their needs first – when we were growing up”. He & his sister, Aunt Gertie would take off riding on his beloved pony, “Scrubby” into the wild blue yonder & hunt pop bottles to turn in at the little country store down the road. Our father was the baby of the family, with three older siblings, Phillip, Gertrude, and Stacy. Our dad was born on May 11, 1919, in the ending era of the horse & buggy days.

Up-pit William danced in the ceremonial ‘Doctor Dance’ as the horse and part of his Regalia was a horse-tail. My dad and Aunt would say ‘the elders would tell them how they loved and waited (in anticipation) to watch him dance as he imitated the horse in this ceremonial dance.’

NOTE: [*I have visited the Chicago Museum with the Pawnee Earth lodge replica and the diorama (miniature model) of this dance– with the dancers in a single line processional of a Bear, Wolf, Wolverine, Buffalo, other animals, and the horse near the end. If my memory serves me right- the model had around 10 or more dancers. It just takes your breath away- like you are touching a part of our Pawnee History that will never be here again. I tried to take pictures of it but it’s in an enclosed glass case and just got the flash reflection off the case. If there are pictures of this model with our tribe can you direct me where to see them? If there aren’t, then requests from the tribe for copies need to be made to the Museum and put on display for all to see, as a vital part of our history.]

There aren’t many of us in this day & age of me or my two younger brother’s generation that can say that our up-pits came from Nebraska; not great-grandparents, or ancestors, but I’m talking our Up-pit. It just blows my mind and I’m truly humbled to tears. Up-pit William Mathews is my own personal, “Turn of the Century Dandy” and I am eternally grateful for his contributions to our tribe and family. I apologize for not knowing how to spell his name- Buffalo Chief in Pawnee at this time. He was given the name of William Mathews by the U.S. Government when they could not translate from our language-they didn’t even try to translate his real name of Buffalo Chief, just as they did a lot of our Pawnee families back then. He passed away in 1939, while our Dad was attending Haskell Institute in Lawrence, Kansas at the age of 74.

In the enlarged picture that hangs in our new IHS facility he stands with his fellow Warriors- all whom were survivors of the arduous migration from Nebraska. He’s the middle one with the horizontal eagle feather in his hair. His closest friend was Lou- walk or Rou-walk and they would often times congregate and talk together. Daddy would say that when he was a little boy with braids, these same men would call out to him- in Pawnee of course. When he came over to them, they would feel his long thick braids and in admiration say in Pawnee, “You’re one of US.” He told me this with fondness and in this daughter’s eyes, yep, he truly was, and will forever remain “one of them.”

**due to time constraints, I would like to continue this on our other family Patriarchs-Curley Chief and Ruling-His-Son at a later date. I thank the Newsletter and tribe for allowing me this time.

Respectfully submitted,
Janet Mathews Shunkamolah
Daughter of the Late Alexander & Lorraine Mathews
‘Darko, Oklahoma

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The Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma would like to welcome and / or congratulate the following staff members on their recent hire or transfer:

Alison Black has been selected for the position of Substance Abuse Program Counselor for the Substance Abuse Program. Mrs. Black began her new position on May 10, 2010.

Charles Brown has been selected for the position of Transportation Technician/Heavy Equipment Operator for the Division of Natural Resources & Safety. Mr. Brown began his new position on May 17, 2010.

Debbie Dandurand has been selected for the position of Reach US Assistant for the Division of Health & Community Services. Ms. Dandurand began her new position on April 21, 2010.

Joanna Flanders has been selected for the position of Indian Child Welfare Coordinator for the Division of Health & Community Services. Mrs. Flanders began her new position on May 10, 2010.

Kathy Griesel has been selected for the position of Infant thru Pre-K Substitute Teacher for the Pawnee Nation Learning Center. Ms. Griesel began her new position on May 10, 2010.

Robert Hamilton has been selected for the position of Network Security Specialist for the Office of Information Technology. Mr. Hamilton began his new position on April 19, 2010.

Theumba Lieb has been selected for the position of I.H.S. Housekeeper for I.H.S. Housekeeping & Grounds Maintenance Services. Mr. Lieb began his new position on April 5, 2010.

Jasha Lyons was promoted from the position of Infant thru Pre-K Assistant Teacher to the position of Infant thru Pre-K Lead Teacher for the Pawnee Nation Learning Center. She began her new position on May 17, 2010.

Christa Pratt has been promoted from the position of Infant thru Pre-K Lead Teacher to the position of Learning Center Director for the Pawnee Nation Learning Center. Mrs. Pratt began her new position on April 12, 2010.

Cleona Roy has been selected for the position of Infant thru Pre-K Assistant Teacher for the Pawnee Nation Learning Center. Ms. Roy began her new position on April 27, 2010.

Brian Seigle has been selected for the position of Application Support Specialist for the Office of Information Technology. Mr. Seigle began his new position on May 3, 2010.

Christal Windholz has been selected for the position of Administrative Assistant for the Office of Information Technology. Ms. Windholz began her new position on April 26, 2010.
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